



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant(s):	Walke and Scoville	Group Art Unit:	1646
Application No.:	10/798,721	Examiner:	R. Li
Filed:	03/11/2004	Atty. Docket No.: LEX-0477-USA	
Title: Novel Human Membrane Proteins and Polynucleotides Encoding the Same			

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED APRIL 12, 2005**

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

The Applicants acknowledge the receipt of the Office Action ("the Action") mailed on April 12, 2005, which has been carefully reviewed and studied. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application is requested in view of the following remarks. In order to facilitate the Examiner's evaluation of the application, Applicants have attempted to address the rejections in the Action in the same order in which they were originally raised.

A Petition for an Extension of Time of one month to and including August 12, 2005, and authorization to deduct the fee as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1) from Applicants' representatives Deposit Account are included. The response is thus timely filed. Applicants believe no fees in addition to the fee for the extension of time are due in connection with this response. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0892.

**RESPONSE**

**I. Status of the Claims**

No claims have been cancelled. No claims have been amended. No new claims have been added.

Claims 1, 7 and 8 are therefore presently pending in the case.